

MINUTES

PUBLIC TRANSIT ADVISORY BOARD

October 6, 2010

8:30 a.m.

Conference Room at FREDericksburg Regional Transit

- Members in Attendance:** Lawrence A. Davies, City of Fredericksburg
Florence Barnick, The Free Lance-Star
Debe Fults, disAbility Resource Center
Heather Straughan, Alternate/King George County
John Moen, WFLS
Richard Pearce, University of Mary Washington
Angeline Pitts, Caroline County
Diana Utz, George Washington Regional Commission
Dr. Roy Weinstock, Community Representative
Rodney White, Spotsylvania County
Bryan R. Workman, Spotsylvania Regional Medical Center
- Others Present :** Kathleen M. Beck, Director of Public Transit
Wendy Kimball, Assistant Director of Public Transit
Marilyn Graves, Administrative Assistant
- Members Absent :** Jan Erkert, Fredericksburg Regional Chamber of Commerce
Edd Houck, Citizen at Large
Tom McCoy, Mary Washington Healthcare
Mike Neuhard, Stafford County
Lloyd Robinson, Alternate/George Washington Regional Commission
Fred Sisk, Citizen Representative

The meeting was called to order by Rev. Davies at 8:30 am on October 6, 2010, in the conference room at the FREDericksburg Regional Transit facility (a/k/a The Lawrence A. Davies Transit Center), 1400 Jefferson Davis Highway, Fredericksburg, VA.

The minutes of the August 11, 2010, PTAB meeting were presented for approval. On motion made by Dr. Weinstock and seconded by Mr. White, the minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Report of Director of Public Transit:

- Ms. Beck introduced Florence Barnick as the new PTAB member representing The Free Lance-Star.

- Ms. Beck informed the board that Caroline County had cut the FY2011 budget for FRED by half and did not notify FRED staff of this cut. When Ms. Beck discovered this, she contacted the County Administrator and it was agreed that she would speak to the Board of Supervisors at their November 16th meeting. If Caroline County does not make the budget whole, service to the County will cease on January 1, 2011. Ms. Utz suggested that the City Manager should once again bring up the Memorandum of Understanding to all the region's administrators the next time they meet.

Committee Reports:

- (1) **Mission, Goals and Objectives** – Dr. Weinstock reported that accomplishments will be revisited at the February 2011 meeting.
- (2) **Partnership/Marketing** – Ms. Beck reported that Ms. Erkert is working on the FY2011 advertising budget. She also reported that she had received a call from a business about in-bus advertising.
- (3) **Services to the Underserved** – Ms. Fults reported that applicants for Mobility Coordinator are being interviewed; that October 18th is the Job Fair for persons with disabilities sponsored by Rob Whitman – there will be workshops for employees and employers; and November 13th there will be Pathways, a transition fair for children with disabilities and their parents.
- (4) **Operations and Oversight** – Mr. White has initiated a memorandum to the Spotsylvania County Administrator regarding the S3 route possibly being eliminated to try to make routes more efficient. Changes have been discussed with the FRED staff. Mr. White asked Mr. Workman how he felt the FRED service was working at the Spotsylvania Regional Medical Center and Mr. Workman replied that the feedback has been very good.
- (5) **Safety and Security** – Ms. Kimball reported that cameras on the buses have proved very beneficial with uses beyond what was even planned. The gate approaching the loading area is working very well; it has stopped cut through traffic in the bus loading lanes.

Other Business:

- The state triennial review is being conducted today and tomorrow at FRED
- Our employee picnic was a great success
- Ms. Graves gave out the 2011 PTAB meeting schedule
- FRED will once again this year participate in the Toys for Tots program; each rider who donates a new toy will be able to ride FRED free for the day

Announcements:

- Ms. Fultz announced that there will be a Disability Fair at Spotsylvania Towne Center on October 23rd
- Next PTAB meeting – December 1, 2010.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 am.

Approved by the Public Transit Advisory Board:


Marilyn M. Graves

12-15-10
Date